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THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" (a) & (b) No, Sir, but in 1951 memorials were received from the attenders of the Education Department in the matter. Their request was not complied with."

Western India Plywood Employees' Association.

* 1928 Q.—SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government have received a memorandum, dated 14th September 1954, from the Western India Plywood Employees' Association containing demands in respect of minimum basic wage, increase of pay, service conditions, leave, bonus, recognition of the union, etc.; and

(b) if so, the action taken thereon?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" (a) No, Sir. Only a copy of the letter, dated 15th October 1954, addressed to the management was received by the Labour Officer, Kozhikode.

" (b) The Labour Officer has reported that the management and the workers have come to a settlement."

SRI K. T. SREEDHARAN :—" Is the Hon. Minister aware that the management is yet to implement certain important items in the terms of the agreement and the Association has requested the Government to prosecute the management in that regard? "

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" I would like to have notice."

SRI K. P. GOPALAN :—" Are the Government aware that after the settlement two canteen supervisors were dismissed by the management and regular victimization is going on in the factory? If so, will the Government be pleased to make an enquiry into the matter and see that the management act according to that settlement? "

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" I would suggest to the hon. Member to give me more information on what he has stated just now. Then only, I will be able to furnish the particulars required by him."

Increase in crime in Feroke.

* 1928-A Q.—DR. K. B. MENON : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government have received any representation recently from the Hotel and Tea Shop Owners' Association in Feroke about the increase in crime in the place and about the indifferent attitude of the local police; and

(b) whether the Government have taken any action in the matter?